MANAGEMENT OF PEST RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE INTERNATIONAL MOVEMENT OF WOOD (2006-029)

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Background

- CPM-2 (2007) added the topic to work programme
- SC approved specification 46 in May 2008
- Technical Panel on Forest Quarantine (TPFQ) began drafting and presented draft ISPM to the Standards Committee (SC) in April 2010
 - draft returned to TPFQ for further revision
- Presented again to SC in November 2012
 - returned again for further drafting
- SC revised draft in May 2013 and approved for member consultation in 2013



General Considerations

- Wood (with or without bark) moved in international trade is a potential pathway for the introduction and spread of quarantine pests
- Pest risk related to a wood commodity depends on:
 - commodity type
 - presence or absence of bark
 - origin of wood commodity
 - intended use
 - treatment applied





General Considerations

- Wood is commonly moved as one of following four commodities:
 - round wood
 - sawn wood
 - mechanically processed wood
 - processed wood material
- The standard describes the general pest risk profile for each wood commodity by indicating the major pest groups associated with each one





General Considerations

- The standard also describes:
 - various options for phytosanitary measures for managing pest risk related to wood, including bark removal or other treatments, chipping and inspection

and

 specific phytosanitary requirements such as verification of phytosanitary measures applied before harvest to import of wood consignments





Drafting Issues

- The TPFQ drafted the standard addressing each of the tasks outlined in specification 46
- In line with specification 46, the standard is intended to cover only wood and associated bark
 - bark as a commodity itself is not covered in the standard
- Wood packaging material moving in international trade that has not been treated and marked in compliance with ISPM 15:2009 is covered in the standard





Other relevant information

- A specific section on intended use of wood commodity was developed
- The concept of contamination of treated wood was considered and addressed in the standard
- An appendix containing the world's major forest pests of quarantine concern was considered not appropriate for this standard as potentially too large



